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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: Agency Policy on Public Release of Pictures of Agency Installations

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation in paragraph 3.
2. There has been a firm Agency policy prohibiting the taking of photographs for public release or which may end up in the public domain, with the exception of an official photograph of the building available in this office on request, and the photographs officially approved for use in the recruitment brochure.
3. The photographs accompanying your letter to the White House may end up in the public domain. However, I recommend that in this case, an exception be made for the following reasons:
  - a. Although pictures are not specifically asked for in Mr. Busby's letter, they seem essential to make the point.
  - b. As far as the Agency is concerned, the photographs are provided for the use of the White House. If the White House releases them, that is their decision and not ours. This could not be reasonably construed as setting a precedent for other requests by news media representatives.

  
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